

MONDAY 8.25.25 - John 8:44

You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

Jesus' words in today's scripture are very strong. Fortunately for us who have accepted Christ as our savior, we are no longer children of Satan but have become children of God. At the point of our salvation Satan lost us to God forever. Knowing he has lost us he now wants to make us as ineffective in our service for the Lord as he possibly can and he does this by telling us lies because he is a liar. He makes the things of the world seem so enticing as to rob us of the effective service and true joy that comes from remaining true to Christ. So, how is Satan trying to rob you of the true joy you have in Christ? Denounce the lies of Satan today and cling to the cross of Christ so that you may experience the true joy of the Lord in your life.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

TUESDAY 8.26.25 - 1 Peter 5:8-9

⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

Most Christians are quite familiar with these verses. The imagery of "a roaring lion looking for someone to devour" jumps off the Bible's page at a young age and it remains with us. But familiarity often leads to spiritual complacency.

Our world is filled with distractions, temptations, challenges, and we all face the dangers of moral compromise. While Satan cannot take our salvation, and he won't literally devour us; he is out to destroy us, our testimony and ultimately the effectiveness of any ministry we might become involved in. We must remain vigilant "standing firm in the faith."

Peter urges us to stay alert and be constantly aware of the spiritual battles we face. Too often we walk out the door forgetting to put on "the armor of God" and neglecting to call on Him for the strength and protection to face each day.

There really is a lion in your neighborhood. What did you do this morning to prepare yourself to face him?

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

WEDNESDAY 8.27.25 - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

When Jesus returns, living Christians will be raptured. The word "rapture" is a Latin term which means to be "caught up." After dead Christians are resurrected, living Christians will be taken up bodily to the clouds of the air. There we will meet Christ, and He will change our physical bodies into glorified bodies. We will possess bodies like His body—fit for life in heaven or on earth. Paul describes this event in these words in Philippians 3:20-21: *"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body."* All Christians will receive a resurrected, glorified body like the body of Jesus. We will possess that sinless body for the rest of eternity.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

THURSDAY 8.28.25 - 1 Corinthians 15:51-54

We as believers will triumph over death when we receive our resurrection body at the Rapture. We will receive a perfect body—a body that cannot be touched by sin or sickness; by disease or death.

What difference should this make in your life today? Paul tells you that your future resurrection should affect your belief. Paul says in verse 58, "Therefore [in light of all that I've just said about your future resurrection at Christ's coming], my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you." Don't embrace false teaching. Hold steadfastly to the teaching of the resurrection of the dead. Also, your future resurrection should affect your present behavior. Paul continues, "Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain." Are you involved in God's work, using your spiritual gift to serve the Lord?

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

FRIDAY 8.29.25 - Philippians 3:20-21

Here at Shiloh, we have studied the Bible about the Rapture for years. Yet there are differing Scriptural views, concerning when it may occur, whether it will be before, during or after the great tribulation, and what it may look like. But there is majority agreement that there is a rapture coming and that when it comes our bodily form must be altered.

Pastor has taught that when believers die we obtain some form of body in which to reside until the final hours of earth. But when those arrive, and Jesus comes to earth again, our bodies, whether mortal if still living here, or those temporary bodies of the heavenlies, will be dramatically changed into a body like the living and reigning Jesus himself. For we shall be like Him! A rapture where He calls us up to Him and ultimately to return here and live and reign with Him in a new glorified body.

SPACE FOR REFLECTION

E2 GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY MORNINGS - 9:40am

- Kids** CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Ages 4 – 4th Grade)
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level
NURSERY (through Age 3) *9:40AM ONLY
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level
- Youth** E2 CLASS (5th – 12th Grade)
LOCATION: Youth Activity Center (across street)
- Adults** **FALL QUARTER** – Sunday Mornings at 9:40
LOCATION: B8-10 – Lane Kemler- begins Sept. 7th.
EXPLORE THE BIBLE: Numbers& Deuteronomy
Recount how the nation of Israel wandered in the wilderness for four decades and how God taught them to be His people as they approached the promised land.
LOCATION: B11 – Shawn Devlin – begins Sept. 7th.
BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE: The Greatest Truths of All Times
We begin with the one truly “Greatest of All Time”, God Himself, and consider five great truths that lead us to the greatest hope of all time.
LOCATION: B1-2 – Joel & Tara Day – begins Sept. 7th.
EVERYDAY EVANGELISM: Sacred Marriage
What if God Designed Marriage to Make Us Holy More Than to Make Us Happy. It can become a doorway to a closer walk with God.

UNITY SUNDAY - 1 SERVICE. AUGUST 31, 10:30am.

Nursery (age 0-3). No E2 Classes. Meal following the service in the FAC. Sign up at the Information Table.

SUNDAY EVENINGS - 6:00pm

- Kids** MESSIAH KIDS (Kindergarten – 4th Grade)
LOCATION: Camp Shiloh on the Lower Level
RESUMES Sept. 14th
- Youth** YOUTH GROUP (5th – 12th Grade)
LOCATION: Youth Activity Center (across street)
RESUMES Sept. 14th
- Adults** LOCATION: Worship Center

WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY Began July 9th 6:30pm – rm. B8-B10.

FULLY DEVOTED: Led by Barry Wills.

Jesus invites you to come to Him as you are.

TO SIGN UP OR REQUEST MORE INFORMATION FOR ANY OF THESE GROUPS OR CLASSES,
USE THE CONNECTION CARD IN THE BULLETIN. THANK YOU.

We Believe ... In Our Adversary, The Devil

“We believe in the existence of a personal devil, who is the ‘prince of the power of the air,’ ‘the god of this age,’ and who is now ‘blinding the minds of them who believe not lest the light of the gospel of Christ shine in unto them.’”

~ Shiloh Doctrinal Statement

Facts about Satan:

1. D _____
 - Ezekiel 28:12-14
 2. D _____
 - Ezekiel 28:15, 17
 3. D _____
 - Job 1:7
 4. D _____
 - 1 Peter 5:8, John 10:10
 5. D _____
 - Genesis 3:1-6
 6. D _____
 - 1 John 3:8, Hebrews 2:14
 7. D _____
 - Revelation 20:2-3, 7-9
 8. D _____
 - Revelation 20:10
 9. D _____
 - Revelation 12:9-11
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 Edifying and Equipping Every Day

TAKING OUR NEXT STEP TOGETHER IN THE WORD



August 25 – August 29

INTRODUCTION:

Part of our purpose and strategy as a church is to Edify and Equip (E2) every believer. We desire to see every person take their next step with God, both individually as well as with families and small groups (E2 Communities). This devotional is to aid us in just that. We invite you to join us in daily devotion.

OVERVIEW:

Monday and Tuesday's readings will be a follow up on Sunday's message from August 24th, “We Believe ... In Our Adversary The Devil”, with Pastor Doug Lyon. Wednesday's through Friday's devotions will help prepare us for the message on August 31st, “We Believe ... In The Return of Christ” (pt.1), with Pastor Doug Lyon.

KEY/MEMORY VERSE:

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever
Hebrews 13:8